OFFICE OF STATEWIDE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (OSHPD) Physician Assistant Program

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT PROGRESS REPORT (FY 08/09) (Reporting Period: 7/1 – 12/31)

Brief summary of the major activities performed during FY 08/09

 The Song-Brown Program held two Mental Health Task Force meetings: October 9, 2008 and November 5, 2008. The Song-Brown Physician Assistant Mental Health Request for Application (RFA) was approved by the California Healthcare Workforce Policy Commission on November 18, 2008 and the RFA was released on November 24, 2008.

Song-Brown staff developed the draft RFA and DMH staff provided Mental Health Services Act expertise to the Mental Health Task Force.

 Mental Health Task Force members reviewed the draft Song-Brown Physician Assistant (PA) RFA and provided direction regarding PA mental health criteria and program curriculum.

The Song-Brown Program received six mental health applications from the following PA programs:

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1.	Stanford University	\$100,000
2.	USC, Keck School of Medicine	\$100,000
3.	Samuel Merritt College	\$100,000
4.	University of California, Davis	\$100,000
5.	San Joaquin Valley College	\$ 99,424
6.	Riverside Community College	\$ 99,808

Total requests: \$599,232

Local mental health activities will be completed by awarded PA programs.